

REMARKS

This Supplemental Preliminary Amendment submits the changes identified above, and is responsive in any other manner indicated below.

PENDING CLAIMS

Original Claims 1-7 were cancelled (without prejudice or disclaimer) and new Claim 8 was presented in the First Preliminary Amendment filed with the present continuation application on 19 March 2004. New Claims 9-14 are presented herein in order to adjust a clarity and/or focus of Applicant's claimed invention. That is, such changes are unrelated to any prior art or scope adjustment and are simply refocused claims in which Applicant is presently interested. At entry of this paper, Claims 8-14 are pending for further consideration and examination in the application.

RESERVATION OF RIGHTS

It is respectfully submitted that any and all claim amendments and/or cancellations submitted within this paper and throughout prosecution of the present application are without prejudice or disclaimer of any scope or subject matter. Further, Applicant respectfully reserves all rights to file subsequent related application(s) (including reissue applications) directed to any/all previously claimed limitations/features which have been subsequently amended or cancelled, or to any/all limitations/features not yet claimed, *i.e.*, Applicant continues (indefinitely) to maintain no intention or desire to dedicate or surrender any limitations/features of subject matter of the present application to the public.

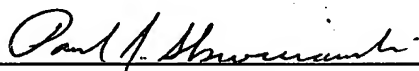
EXAMINER INVITED TO TELEPHONE

The Examiner is invited to telephone the undersigned at the local D.C. number of 703-312-6600, to discuss an Examiner's Amendment or other suggested action for accelerating prosecution and moving the present application to allowance.

CONCLUSION

This Supplemental Preliminary Amendment is being filed within three (3) months of the filing of the present continuation application, and is therefore timely. No Petition or fee is possible or required. Further, no additional claim fees are required for entry and consideration of this paper. Please charge any substantiated fees due to ATSK Deposit Account No. 01-2135 (as Case No. 500.40249CX1).

Respectfully submitted,



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